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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This communication is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed October 22, 2002. Reconsideration of the captioned application, in light of the following amendments and subsequent remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

Paragraph beginning at page 1, line 14 has been amended as follows:

Prior art CAD tools typically describe a mechanical design in terms of various geometric shapes, also referred to as "parts". Each part in turn is expressed as a step-by-step recipe incrementally building the various features of the geometric

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